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## House of Representatives

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SMITH of New Jersey).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

February 21, 2023.

I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

KEVIN MCCARTHY,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

Reverend William Gurnee, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Father of peace, we pray today for the Members of this body who have been given the privilege and responsibility of conducting the people's business.

They have tremendous tasks before them. They must seek to establish justice, ensure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity.

Clearly, no one person by themselves is equal to such a task. However, guided by Your loving hand and working together, such goals can be achieved.

Therefore, be with them this day and every day they serve here. Give them the wisdom of Solomon, the patience of Job, and the compassion of the Good Samaritan so that at the end of their days they may have the sure and certain knowledge that they have served their country well.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution

5, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS STANDARDS COMMISSION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 501(b), and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members to the House Communications Standards Commission:

Mr. CAREY, Ohio  
Mr. LATTA, Ohio  
Mrs. CAMMACK, Florida

### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO SERVE AS CO-CHAIR OF THE TOM LANTOS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 4(c) of House Resolution 5, 118th Congress, and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Member to serve as co-chair of the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission:

Mr. SMITH, New Jersey

### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE CONGRESSIONAL-EXECUTIVE COMMISSION ON THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's ap-

pointment, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 6913, and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China:

Mr. MAST, Florida  
Mrs. STEEL, California  
Mr. ZINKE, Montana  
Mr. NUNN, Iowa

### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE COMMISSION ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 3003, and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:

Mr. ADERHOLT, Alabama  
Mr. HUDSON, North Carolina  
Mrs. SPARTZ, Indiana  
Mr. LAWLER, New York

### PUBLICATION OF COMMITTEE RULES

RULES OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY FOR THE 118TH CONGRESS

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, February 17, 2023.

Mr. JASON SMITH,  
*Parliamentarian,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SMITH: The Committee on Homeland Security met, pursuant to notice, with a quorum being present, on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, in 310 Cannon House Office Building to consider Committee Rules for the 118th Congress. The Committee adopted the Rules and Committee Resolution 1, relating to staffing, by voice vote.

Please find attached a copy of the Committee Rules. If you have any further questions, please contact Natalie Nixon of the Committee on Homeland Security staff.

Sincerely,

MARK E. GREEN, MD,  
*Chairman.*

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